

U.S. Government Efforts to Prevent Introduction of BSE

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BANNED

- Since 1989, live ruminant imports from BSE-affected countries
- Since 1997, live ruminant imports from all of Europe

*In 2002, 12,500 cattle will be tested, up from 5,245 in 2001.

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ONGOING

- Since 1990, testing of cattle with central nervous system disorders*
- Since 1994, testing of non-ambulatory cattle*

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Since 1997, domestic feeding of most mammalian protein to ruminants

*As of 10-31-01, more than 17,981 brains have been tested since May 1990.